

Claims

- [c1] A method for facilitating a non-currency based transaction system involving a secondary transaction number comprising the steps of:
 - designating a non-currency based account as at least one primary account;
 - generating a secondary transaction number and associating said secondary transaction number with at least one primary account, wherein said at least one primary account includes at least the designated non-currency based account;
 - converting accumulated non-currency based tender into currency to fund the primary account.
- [c2] The method of claim 1 further comprising the step of designating condition of use parameters and associating said parameters to the secondary transaction number.
- [c3] The method of claim 2 further comprising the step of processing an authorization request from a second party relating to a transaction involving a secondary transaction number associated with at least a non-currency based account comprising the further steps of:
 - recognizing the transaction as involving a non-currency

based account; verifying the conditions of use have been satisfied; and if satisfied, reducing the non-currency based account balance by the transaction amount.

- [c4] The method of claim 2 further comprising the step of processing a transaction settlement request from a second party relating to a transaction involving a secondary transaction number associated with at least a non-currency based account further comprising the steps of: capturing transaction settlement information in a financial capture system, wherein an accounts payable file is created and the second party is paid; forwarding the transaction settlement information to an accounts receivable system; recognizing that the transaction settlement information comprises a secondary transaction number that is associated with at least a non-currency based account; issuing a credit equal to the transaction charge amount from the non-currency based account to the accounts receivable system; wherein the credit from the non-currency based account offsets at least part of the transaction charge.